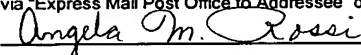


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| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 41052/321146 |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2004/004261 | | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 05 April 2004 (05.04.2004) |
| TITLE OF INVENTION A PROTECTIVE SHIELD AND PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT INCLUDING SUCH A SHIELD AND A STORAGE BOX | | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/552130 |
| PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 10 April 2003 (10.04.2003) | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US BARDEL, Michel | | |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: | | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendment has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 37(c)(4)). (unexecuted) 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). | | |
| Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: | | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. This certifies that this document is being mailed to Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 via "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" on this 5th day of October 2005, Express Mail Label No. EV461334555US <div style="margin-top: 10px;">  <div style="text-align: right;">Angela M. Rossi</div> </div> b. International Publication No. WO 2004/089473 A1 including International Search Report prepared by the European Patent Office c. International Preliminary Report on Patentability with amended pages 8-10 of Claims | | |

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| 21. The following fees are submitted: | | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) Basic national fee | | | | \$300.00 | \$300.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b) Examination fee | | | | \$200.00 | \$200.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c) Search fee | | | | \$400.00 | \$400.00 |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = | | | | \$0.00 | \$900.00 |
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| Independent claims | 03 - 3 = | 00 | x \$200.00 | \$0.00 | |
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